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SUBJECT: FY-77 INTERNATIONAL VISITORS PROGRAM

1. DISCUSSIONS WITH UGT INDICATE THAT DUE TO THEIR CURRENT INTENSIVE ORGANIZATION DRIVE, OUT INITIAL TOW UGT CANDIDATES (BOTH EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE MEMBERS, ONE ELECTED TO SENATE IN JUNE 15 ELECTIONS) CANNOT EVEN THINK OF TRAVELLING UNTIL 1978. TO REPLACE THEM IN FY 77 PROGRAM, WE ARE NOW NOMINATING (A) JOAQUIN RISCO ACEDO, SECRETARY GENERAL (AND ORGANIZING SECRETARY) OF THE UGT TEACHERS' FEDERATION (FETE - FEDERACION DE TRABAJADORES DE ENSEÑANZA) AND (B) A MEMBER OF THE EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE OF THE BASQUE STV (SEPTTEL).

2. THE CHOICE OF THE 37-YEAR OLD RISCO IS PARTICULARLY TIMELY IN VIEW OF ALBERT SHANKER'S (PRESIDENT, AFT/AMERICAN FEDERATION OF TEACHERS) INTEREST IN HAVING SPANISH FETE REPRESENTATIVE ATTEND AFT CONGRESS IN MID-AUGUST (GOOTT-COOK TELECONS JULY 12 AND 20). IT WILL BE RECALLED THAT SHANKER MET WITH UGT AND FETE OFFICERS DURING HIS VISIT

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TO MADRID LAST OCTOBER (MADRID 7750-1976) AND EXPRESSED INTEREST IN ASSISTING FETE. RISCO'S TRIP WOULD HAVE TO BE SOMEWHAT CURTAILED (23 DAYS) FROM USUAL 30 DAYS IN VIEW FACT HE IS COMMITTED IN FRG UNTIL AUGUST 13 (DAY HE COULD TRAVEL TO U.S.) AND HAS TO RETURN TO TEACHING DUTIES BY SEPTEMBER 5. RISCO COMES HIGHLY RECOMMENDED BY UGT HEADQUARTERS, AND BEING FROM SEVILLA,

HAS ADDITIONAL ATTRACTION OF GIVING US PROVINCIAL EXPOSURE.  
HE IS PRIMARY SCHOOL TEACHER, SPECIALIZING IN RETARDED  
CHILDREN AND REHABILITATION PROGRAMS.

3. WE REGRET THE SHORT NOTICE, BUT HOPE THAT IN VIEW  
OF THE SPECIAL CIRCUMSTANCES OUTLINED ABOVE - ESPECIALLY  
AFT INTEREST - THE DEPARTMENT WILL RESPOND FAVORABLY.  
PROPOSED FLIGHT AND ARRIVAL TIME AS WELL AS PROGRAM SUGGESTIONS  
WILL BE FORWARDED PROMPTLY IN SEPARATE MESSAGE.

4. APPRECIATE PRIORITY REPLY SOONEST. STABLER

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